



FIRE MOBILIZATION NEWS FROM THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

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Evacuation update: Fischer Fire in Chelan County

LEAVENWORTH – Firefighters continue to battle the Fischer Fire which has grown to 7,200 acres. The fire is estimated to be 30% contained at this time. The fire continues to actively burn north to northeast. Temperatures are expected to be in the upper 90's today, winds 7-12 mph with gusts of 15-20 mph. There are 455 residences in the evacuation zone at this time. The Red Cross continues to operate a shelter in Cashmere.

Level 3 evacuations are in affect for all of Ollala Canyon, Alpine View Estates, Eagle Creek Canyon, Bjork Canyon, Williams Canyon, Jude Canyon, upper Derby Canyon starting at the end of the pavement, and Hay Canyon starting at the end of the pavement.

Level 2 evacuations are in affect for Nahanum Canyon, Hay Canyon, Clark Canyon, Estes Canyon, lower Derby Canyon to end of the pavement, Posey Canyon – including Fox Canyon, Stevens Canyon, and Anderson Canyon.

Level 1 evacuations are in affect for Red Apple Road, Hughes Road, Eels Road, Warner Canyon, Spring Canyon – off Hay Canyon Road, East Nahahum Road, Old Sunset Highway and all driveways off Hwy. 2 to the northeast down to the Monitor Rock Cut (Hwy. 2), Moon Canyon, Railroad Canyon, Merry Canyon – between Chumstick and Dry Creek.

Nine task forces from Clark, Thurston, Mason, Kitsap, Pierce, Snohomish and Skagit counties are on the scene with 45 engines/tenders and 125 firefighters assigned with structure protection. This brings the total number of firefighters to 1,201, 86 engines, 22 water tenders, 22 dozers, and 8 helicopters.

Washington State Patrol Chief Lowell Porter approved the Washington State Fire Mobilization Act for the fire on August 11th. The WSP's Fire Protection Bureau subsequently dispatched three interface task forces to provide structure protection at the Fischer Fire.

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